

Application No. 10/542,572
Attorney Docket No. 09875.0001-00

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 47-94 are pending. No claims have been amended by this response.

II. Summary of Interview

In the teleconference between Applicants' undersigned representative and the Examiner on November 2, 2006, the Examiner indicated that the claims would be allowable if a Terminal Disclaimer was filed to obviate the double patenting rejection of claims 47-94 over U.S. Patent No. 6,824,870.

III. Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner has rejected claims 47-94 under the judicially-created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly unpatentable over claims 1-48 of U.S. Patent No. 6,824,870 to Castellani et al. ("Castellani") for the reasons disclosed on pages 3-4 of the Office Action.

Although Applicants disagree with this rejection, they submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer to render the rejections moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims. Please grant any


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extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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